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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. Loadings observed at the Dallgow railroad station between 20 and 23 October 1953 included:

• 20 October. At about 10 a.m., JS-3 tank T-34 tanks and trucks from Neues Lager, Doeberitz. 25X1

22 October. About 250 troops with baggage on boxcars. the troops were discharges en route to the USSR.

23 October. About 150 troops with baggage from the Loewen Kaserne on boxcars with stoves assembled there. ¹

On 23 October, 25 tank cars were shunted at the Dallgow railroad station.

2. On 19 October, about 20 troops strung a new overhead line from the Loewen Kaserne to the komendatura along the highway. At about 10 a.m. on 23 October, 10 trucks, occupied by engineer soldiers

passed through Rohrbeck, coming from Pflaumenweg and proceeding toward Finkenkrug. 25X1

3. On 19 October, the Till Eulenspiegel settlement was occupied to capacity. Numerous officers and troops were seen in the quartering area. Twenty-seven trucks were seen in front of the vehicle sheds. 25X1

4. At about 4 p.m. on 21 October, 6 x 100-mm AT guns towed by prime movers 25X1
6 x 76-mm AT guns towed by trucks
6 x 57-mm AT guns towed by trucks

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and jeep [] were seen entering Olympisches Dorf, coming from the training area. The trucks were occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. At about 1 p.m. on 22 October, 10 trucks, each occupied by 20 to 25 troops; and 1 jeep, occupied by 3 senior officers, left Olympisches Dorf toward Neues Lager.

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At about 3:30 p.m., 18 x 76-mm AT guns and about 35 trucks were seen in front of the bays in the barracks area. On 23 October, about 500 troops armed with carbines, submachine guns, heavy machine guns and light mortars; and a telephone section left Neues Lager toward the training area.

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5. On 23 October, about 75 trucks were inspected by several officers at the parking lot of Altes Lager opposite the komendatura.
6. On 21 October, the Loewen Kaserne was occupied to capacity. At about 10 a.m., equipment was being unloaded from vehicles of Units I and II. An undetermined number of troops did maintenance work on tanks and trucks. At about 4 p.m., about 100 troops in dress uniform were lined up at the athletic field of the installation. They were addressed by the commanding officer, a colonel, and subsequently returned to the quarters.

7. On 21 October, the Adler Kaserne was occupied to capacity. []

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[] the troops had returned during the night of 20/21 October. On 21 October, trucks were unloaded in the barracks area and, subsequently, reconitioned by an undetermined number of troops. At about 2 p.m., about 800 troops were lined up at the athletic field of the installation. They were addressed by the commanding officer, a colonel, and subsequently returned to their quarters.

8. Major inspections will allegedly be held in Doeberitz after 25 October.

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9. On and after 12 October, the artillery quarters in Olympisches Dorf were occupied to capacity by 2,000 to 2,500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. About 48x76-mm field guns towed by trucks were seen in 2 gun sheds near the lake.

Troops seen engaged in clearing up and polishing of the installation []

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10. On 19 October, the quarters of Unit Kavallor were occupied as previously by about 500 to 550 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. []

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[] Between 15 and 19 October, soldiers with books were repeatedly seen going to a building, where they received theoretical instruction and an undetermined number of troops daily engaged in driving school practice with 12 to 15 trucks []

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On 19 October, the quarters of Unit Popov were occupied as previously by about 400 troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets. On 5 October, about 100 troops practiced firing with carbines, light machine guns and pistols at the firing range in the quartering area. []

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11. The barracks installations west of Olympisches Dorf were still vacant on 17 October. Troops observed daily engaged in aiming practice, camouflage and small-scale simulated attacks in the training area south of Hamburger Chaussee

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during the period under review. On 15 October, numerous reports of [] 25X1
[] artillery, tank guns and mortars were heard from the depth of
the training area from the approximate direction of Potsdam. On 16 October,
about 100 troops, which [] had come from the barracks instal- 25X1
lation west of Olympisches Dorf, received instruction on 4 x 82-mm mortars
and light machine guns in the training area. On 14 October, about 45 troops
practiced aiming and a detail of soldiers with heavy machine guns engaged
in field training in the training area northeast of Olympisches Dorf. 2

1. [] Comment. The tanks entrained on 20 October probably belonged to 25X1
the 72d Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the 1st Mecz Div. The shipment may be
identical with a shipment which arrived in Neuruppin at 4:25 p.m. on the
same day.
[] It is fairly definitely believed that, on 22 and 23
October, discharges were entrained. [] railroad 25X1
cars had to be made available for this purpose in Doeberitz on 23 October.
2. [] Comment. Although exercises continued after 21 October, it is 25X1
believed that large-scale exercises of the 1st Mecz Div in the Doeberitz
training area terminated prior to 20 October and all units of the division
can be carried in their known installations on and after 21 October. The
2d Light Arty Brig [] can be carried in Olympisches Dorf after 11 October. 25X1
[] The speeches by the commanding officers probably
were made on the occasion of discharge ceremonies.

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